(i) Development of Aquaculture:

Under this Centrally Sponsored Scheme, thirteen Fish Farmers' Development Agencies (FFDAs) have been sanctioned in the districts of Ajmer, Alwar, Bhilwara, Bharatpur, Dungerpur, Jaipur Tonk, Udaipur, Chittorgarh, Banswara, Kota, Jhalwar and Swai Madhopur. These FFDAs have so far developed 2217 ha. of tanks and ponds for fish culture and trained 3231 fish farmers.

(ii) National Fish Seed Programme:

Under this Centrally Sponsored Scheme, two fish seed farm-cum-hatcheries have been sanctioned, one each a Banswar in Udaipur district and Kota district to produce 10 million fish seed each. The construction of these two hatcheries has been reported to be nearing completion.

[English]

Growth of Royyalu in Salt Water Basing of Nelore District in Andhra Pradesh

4937-A. SHRI RAJAMOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal is under consideration of Government to improve the growth of Royyalu in salt water basins in Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether any expert team from Taiwan and Thailand visited many parts of Andhra Pradesh in this regard;

(c) whether this expert team has submitted any report to Government, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the quantity of Royyalu exported from India to other countries in 1988-89 and 1989-90?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): (a) For development of prawn farming (Royyalu) in the Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh, the Government have taken up in the following steps:

- (i) One Brackishwater Fish Farmers' Development Agency (BFDA) was sanctioned during 1989-90 (January, 1990). This BFDA which will be operational from 1990-91 onwards is targeted to bring under prawn farming about 50 ha. brackishwater area per annum in the district.
- (ii) The Marine Products Expo Development Authority (MPEDA) is implementing a prawn culture project in collaboration with the Department of Biotechnology, in 8.8 ha. farm area in Nellore district for demonstrating the technoeconomic viability of semi-intensive prawn farming.

(b) The Government have not invited any expert either from Taiwan or Thailand to visit Andhra Pradesh in this regard.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The quantity of frozen shrimp (Royyalu) exported from India to other countries in 1988-89 and 1989-90, was 56,835 tonnes and 58,010 tonnes, respectively.

Regularisation of Daily Wage Labourers of A & N Administration

4937-B. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: Will the Minister of HOME AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of daily wage labourers working with the various depart-